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PROPAGATION: Sep 5, High/Above Normal; Sep 6, High/Low Normal; Sep 7, 8, High Normal; Sep 9, 10, High/Above Normal; Sep 11, Above Normal; Sep 12, High Normal; Sep 13, 14, Low Normal; Sep 15, High Normal; Sep 16, Above Normal; Sep 17, High Normal; Sep 18, High/Low Normal; Sep 19, Below Normal; Sep 20, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

WELCOME BACK 28 MEGS

W1, 2, and 3 were treated to the first significant 10 Meter opening Sep 1, with the band opening to Asia for about two hours, 1700-1900Z. Among the gathered DX were YC3FM (and other Indonesians), CR9AN, DU1DPC, A4XJJ. 3B8AE/3B9 was thrown in for good measure.

This short path polar opening followed by a couple of weeks several false starts to the 1981 season on 10; some JA stations had been worked in mid-August on the 10 Meter long path, and Europeans were to be found, albeit weak. The last few days of August saw strong openings to southern Europe but, typically, weaker signals from northern Eu. On Sep 1, US West Coasters were getting through to EU; they did not seem to have the polar opening to Asia.

CROZET FB8W

All sources now indicating that F2CL will be stationed at the French weather station on bleak Crozet Island; he reportedly arrives mid-September but will not be on the ham bands until November (Geoff Watts Newssheet). A rig for him is desperately needed but it's probably too late to get anything to France in time. FB8W sneaked into the Top Ten most needed in the 1981 TDXB survey, placing #9.

SAN FELIX

Our word of last week (TDXB 105) re WB1GDQ/CEØ was correct...look for them to fire up from Juan Fernandez mid-Sep, then from San Felix the first of October.

MALPELO HKØ

Malpelo, #13 in the 1981 Survey, is expected to be activated in 1983...an IARU Region 2 conference is slated for late that year, and the Colombians hope to activate Malpelo in honor of the Western Hemisphere event. It is good to note that the planning is already underway, by HK3DEU, who is on the Region 2 Executive Committee. More on this admittedly far-away expedition as things develop.

Juan De Nova

FRØFLO/maritime mobile was heard Aug 30, supposedly enroute to Europa and then to Juan de Nova (TDXB 104, 105). Nothing heard of them by Sep 2, but their intentions were to be on the air from Juan de Nova sometime the first week of Sep.

JA2KLT had been rumored to be joining FRØFLO and FR7BP, if his visa application for Rodriguez did not come through...it obviously did, because he has been sharing the bands with 3B8AE/3B9 since Aug 27.

Look for callsigns FRØFLO/E on 'phone and FRØXRO/E on CW.

W9DXCC

Still time to make this Sep 12 activity, which now will include two last-minute guests...KP2A, John Ackley, of Desecheo and IDXF fame, and Dana Atchley, W1CF, who will make a presentation on 80 and 160 Meter DXing techniques (his first recommendation might be to move to the East Coast! - ed).

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Another group of hams going to China: Bob Hudson, K7LAY, member of ARRL's DX Advisory Committee, will be accompanied by three other members of the Boeing Amateur Radio Club this month. They are taking two radios to demonstrate amateur radio at several universities. There is no reason to believe they will be allowed to transmit.

A recent swing through southern Africa by Wayne Green, W2NSD, publisher of 73 magazine, included some hamming from Johannesburg, S.A., 7P8CA Lesotho, and W2NSD/3D6 Swaziland. Wayne was in the area on business, to establish African editions of a new magazine called Desktop Computing. An article will appear in 73 shortly, including how Wayne operated 2 Meters from a balloon from the outskirts of Johannesburg.

If you worked YA1CP in the recent All Asia CW contest, good luck. The operator said he was UD6DMO and to QSL via UK3A (sort of the Russian W1AW). Our friend who worked YA1CP says the contacts on either side of him were UD6DLJ and UK6FAA.

Jim Smith, VK9NS, writes with further info on Heard, mainly that he is still aiming for the narrow weather window around the end of December. Jim now has permission for his wife Kristi to accompany him to Heard. Meanwhile, you can look for the Smith team to be fired up from Western Samoa in a couple of weeks...Jim is 5W1DG and Kristi expects to get a callsign upon their arrival.

Fred Kleber, K9VV, operated most of the summer /CT1 from Portugal, where he was working for the Voice of America on transmitters there. Fred was using some vintage ham gear there and had mucho problems getting things working and keeping his signal out of the commercial gear. He's back in the states and returns to college in Illinois this month.

Rich Assarabowski, K1CC, due to arrive Warsaw Poland Sep 5, says "Thanks" to TDXB readers...our plea for slides of you and your stations resulted in Rich now having 500 35 mm slides in his pouch to show the Polish hams at their convention. He also has four movies, one of

the NØSS CW receiving contest tapes, and some ARRL training material. Rich reports his license status (S03CC or S09CC) is now in some doubt due to the political situation, so he may just get on the air from club station SP9KRT during and after the Sep 5 weekend.

Many have T3AF QSLs from the November 1980 operation led by JA7SGV; unfortunately, the cards say simply "Kiribati" and are NOT being accepted by the DXCC Desk. Others still not accepted are XZ5/9A, 1AØKM, and G3JKI/5A.

DJ6SI, now in Africa, has added XT2AW and TR8 to his itinerary (TDXB 104). He is uncertain of dates, lengths of stay.

Active contester George Moore, W9VL, is moving to Botswana this month for a two-year stay. He will be working to install a new VOA transmitter in the north-eastern part of the country, as well as doing some hamming as A22VL. George will be joined by Larry Smith, N4FD and WA4IYH in some of the upcoming contests, including ARRL's International DX Competition next March. Don't be surprised if George shows up from time to time at other African hotspots.

And K7CA, who's been back home in the States for several months, returns to Santiago Chile next February, just in time for the ARRL Competition. He'll be K7CA/CE3 again.

9Q5L's QSL manager K3FN (30 Lockwood Ln, W. Chester PA 19380) says 9Q5L is active most days 1800Z/21040 MHz.

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The motto of quality press is "Tell them what they ought to hear."

- Jay Gourley in the Washington Monthly.

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CALENDAR

CONTRIBUTORS

Juan de Nova Rodriguez	FR/J	Should be on now; I 106
Midway	JA2KLT/3B9	On now, I 106
Sable Is	NH6D/KH4	On now, I 105
Grand Cayman	VE1AWS/1	Now to Sep 8, I 105
	ZF2DZ/FF	Now to Sep 7; I 104
Bangladesh	S21	Rumored derly Sep by JA8MWU
Revilla Gigedo	XF4	Rumored Sep 1-10 by WD6DRM
Albania	ZA2HFM	Rumored Sep 5-12; I 105
Easter Is	CE0AA	By RC of Chile to Sep 8; I 105
Ego	5V	By DJ6SI Sep 11; I 104, 105
Wallis	FW0	Sep 11-18; I 105
Contest	WAE	Phone Sep 12-13
W9DXCC	Chicago	Sep 12; I 102, 104, 106
Convention	DXPO 81	Atlanta Sep 19-20; I 103, 104
Juan Fernandez	CE0Z	mid-Sept by WB1GDQ; I 105, 106
Jersey	GJ5	Sep 19-25 by Germans
Belize	VP1	Prefix change Sep 21
Deadline	DXCC	Annual list...Sep 30; I 105
San Felix	CE0X	Early Oct; I 103, 104, 105, 106
Laccadives	VU7	Rumored Oct; I 105
Convention	Houston	Oct 2-4; I 103
Bermuda	W3OGY/VP9	Oct 5-12
Luxembourg	DA1WA/LX	Oct 24-25; I 102
Crozet	FB8WG	By F2CL starts November

W0BWJ, K1RM, W4VQ, K8IP, N4CID, N4BKN, N4RR, N1ACH, K5AAD, KB7SW, K9KM, KA4TXH, W7YF, WA2PHA, KA3R, WB8ZRL, WB0QV, KE1F, N8BKB, W2HAZ, KA1KD, W1VV, W0BW, W5DV, W8GXZ, XE1NI, WD5AAM, WB4TCH, W3ODJ, W2NSD, K3ZO, VK9NS, K1CC, W5ODD, W3AZD, N4FD, K3FN, K1EFI, W1DQH, OE1FF, KH6BZF, K9PQG, JA1BRK.

LETTERS

Tac Yonemura: I have visited Kaw Thoo
JA1BRK Lei, Karen-state, East

Burma, and have written an article for a JA DX bulletin on the subject. The Karen people in East Burma are not rebel forces. They have their own government, own forces for defense only, and they have no ambition to rule the whole country. The U.S. Pentagon knows all about Karen-state.

XZ5A and XZ9A should count as a separate DXCC country from Burma, since it is under "different jurisdiction" from Burma/Rangoon. ARRL has received word from Rangoon that amateur radio transmitting is illegal, thus XZ5A and XZ9A must be illegal. This is the same thing as saying if you enquire of Peking whether BV2A/BV2B is legal, I am sure they would say "No."

LETTERS

John Gilbert: "Departing from pre-K9PQG vailing, traditional wisdom of only valuing a QSL card from a rare country conditional upon League contenance, I will appreciate my XZ5A card because it validates to me a ham radio QSO with a ham transmitting consistently and indisputably for three months from within the political boundaries of Burma as we know them.

"In evaluating the merits of San Plo's QSL card for DXCC, will the ARRL consider that it (we) may be witnessing a government whose administration departs from official policy by local or national custom or by privilege? Also, how are other Burmese radio services licensed, regionally or centrally? If the League refuses credit to XZ5A and XZ9A operations, a certain irony will exist; hams who have Burma confirmed can rest assured that they worked a U.S. ham in the mid-60's who subsequently had his DXCC application revoked! Lastly, if the League discredits the XZ5A operation, it would be required to deny San Plo's DXCC application, assuming he would apply. Would this gesture enhance international goodwill?"

TIPS

FO8DP 14210 0500 23
JY3ZH 14220 0500 23
JY8ML 14215 0500 23
FO8GU 14210 1000 23
YJ8BG 14228 1000 23
3B8AE/3B9 14277 1000 23
T30AE 14270 1100 23
YB0PG 14217 1100 23
CO6RL 14215 1100 23
VU2BBJ 14270 1200 23

P29MM 14222 1200 23
VK2AGT 14250 1200 23
(Lord Howe)
EA8YV 21285 1800 23
TG9NR 21315 1900 23
VK9NL 14035 1000 20
FB8YH 14020 1000 20
WB0LSQ/DU 14015 1100 20
DK6NJ/ST2 21020 2300 22
VQ9NA 14030 1100 23

HZ1AB 7010 0200 24
HZ1AB 14010 0100 24
HL9VK 14020 1100 24
4S7MX 14025 1100 23
4S7RM 14030 0100 23
JW5NM 14025 0400 20
FO8DR 14080 0500 21
3D6AX 14002 1400 23
KH6LW/KH7 21345 0000 20
KS6DV 21345 0000 20
TL8CN 28540 0000 20

HZ1AB 21300 2300 20
OE8AJK/YK 21310 0000 21
7Q7LW 21285 2000 21
4U1UN 21310 2200 21
CE0AE 21335 0000 22
S9VCT 21020 1900 22
EL2AK 21305 1300 23
5Z4CL 21290 1400 23
YB0PG 14202 1400 23

VP8WA 28525 1400 23
KC4AAC 14210 2300 23
VK9ZG 14222 1200 24
EA9AE 14020 2300 24
7Q7LW 21285 1800 22
SV0BV 7017 0100 23
FB8YH 14030 1200 21
9Q5L 21020 2000 21
9X5MB 21290 2200 24
EL9B 14202 2200 24
TL8CN 14220 2200 24

D68AM 21278 2030 25
A7YAD 21290 1900 26
3B8DA 14020 1200 27
VU2KMK 14028 1200 27
A22YV 21030 1300 21
FR7CD 21025 1300 25
VE1AWS/1 21025 1300 26
W1DV/DU2 21028 1300 26
HZ1AB 21027 1800 26

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ZE4JS 28030 1800 26
M1C 21030 2000 26
VU2BK 21030 2200 26
NH6D/KH4 14030 0900 27
KG6RT 14044 1100 27
FR7BX 14010 1400 22
FM7WO 21035 1900 22
J3AH 21320 2000 22
J87WW 14015 1200 25
3B8DA 14020 1200 25

KB7IJ/KH2 14214 1200 25
KH0AC 14203 1200 25
4U1UN 14030 1200 25
HM1PW 14212 1200 26
ZD7HH 21280 1900 27
4U1ITU 21285 1900 27
9G1DJ 21315 2200 27
FO0FB 28510 2200 27
HH2VP 21030 2200 27
TF3GCN 21020 2200 27

9H1EL 14025 2200 27
3B8CD 14025 1200 28
EA9GK 21020 2300 20
ZB2EO 21020 0000 21
EC9AU 21020 0000 21
EA8QP 21025 1200 22
EA9JG 21025 2200 26
DK6NJ/ST2 21020 0000 27
6W8IC 21290 1900 26
A7XD 21290 1700 20
HZ1AB 21300 1800 20

HZ1AB 21300 1800 26
CR9JA 14030 1200 21
VK9NS 14220 0800 22
KH6LW/KH7 14220 0800 22
HM1PW 14210 1200 26
KC4AAC 14274 0000 24
FC9 UC 14201 2200 25
EA8XM 14205 2200 25
5N2CLN 14204 0000 26

EA6GB 14280 0000 26
SV5YU 14240 0200 26
A71AD 14185 0200 28
DF9FM/ST3 21011 2200 21
D68AM 21285 2100 25
VK9ZG 14220 1200 24
KA5BXG/DU2 14036 1300 24
BV2A 14025 1200 28
C5ACG 28580 1300 22
KH3AB 14220 1000 25
FK8BR 14210 1130 25

UK1PGO 14220 0300 26
(F.J.L.)
HL9TH 14240 1100 26
ZB2GR 21290 2000 20
C5AR 21294 2100 20
OH0DX 21025 1600 22
VQ9QA 14030 1100 23
P29CH 14200 1200 22
ZE2JD 28025 1600 22

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A71AD 21290 1700 22
CE0AE 21286 1700 22
TL8CN 14215 2300 24
9N1MM 14210 0100 26
ZE2JK 28525 1600 27
LX2BQ 7007 0500 30
S79WHW 28590 1300 30
SULAA 28540 1300 30
VE3NFR/4U 28530 1700 30
OH0BA 28027 1800 30

A4XJJ 28510 1600 1
DU1DPC 28510 1600 1
CR9AN 28550 1700 1
YC3FM 28530 1700 1
RH8HCV 28555 1700 1
UD6DFO 28540 1900 1
3B8AE/3B9 28540 1900 1
JY9RV 28560 1900 1
TF3YH 21020 0100 24
ZK1BD 21015 0200 24

XT2BG 28666 0000 27
AH8AA 14235 0900 29
UK1PGO 14220 0300 27
AH8AE 14235 0900 29
VS5RP 14053 1000 29
CE9AI 14006 1000 29
9V1UQ 14010 1100 29
VE1AWS/1 14020 2000 25
AH2L 14030 1100 26
M1C 14220 0000 27
SULAA 21298 0000 27

TL8CN 21320 0000 27
9M2LN 14040 1100 27
9L1FC 21298 2300 24
KH3AB 21345 0100 29
WB0ICS/KH7 14250 1100 29
3D2DB 14228 1100 29
OD5QR 21285 1100 27
YJ8BG 14210 1000 28
3D2CS 21320 0400 29

JA2KLT/3B9 21295 1700 29
AH8AA 14240 1000 30
KG6RT 14044 1100 27
BV2A 14025 1100 26
UI8OK 14020 2300 24
K8NOQ/VP2A 14005 1100 24
KP4KK/DU2 21025 0200 23
KA3BUJ/8R1 21035 0200 23
ZD8TC 21024 2300 23
JT0WA 14022 0300 22
HS5AID 14027 1100 21

UA1PAM 14025 0100 21
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